

corporation (whose membership consists primarily of veterans of World War II) the permanent occupancy of the dwellings of which is restricted to members of such corporation, or a project constructed by a nonprofit corporation (whose membership consists primarily of veterans of World War II) organized for the purpose of construction of homes for members of the corporation, at prices, costs, or charges comparable to the prices, costs, or charges proposed to be charged such members, may involve a principal obligation in an amount not exceeding 95 per centum of the amount which the Administrator estimates will be the value of the project when the proposed improvements are completed; and”.

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[CHAPTER 785]

AN ACT

To assist by grants-in-aid the Republic of the Philippines in providing medical care and treatment for certain veterans.

July 1, 1948
[S. 2861]
[Public Law 865]

Republic of the
Philippines.
Grants-in-aid for
medical care.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to assist the Republic of the Philippines in providing medical care and treatment for veterans, as defined in section 2 of this Act, who are in need of hospitalization for disabilities, determined by the Veterans' Administration under laws which it administers to be connected with the service described in such section, the President is authorized, subject to the provisions of this Act, to furnish aid in the form of grants to the Republic of the Philippines (a) for the construction and equipping of hospitals in the Philippines to be used exclusively for such medical care and treatment and (b) for expenses incident to such medical care and treatment in either the hospitals so constructed and equipped or other hospitals in the Philippines.

“Veterans.”

SEC. 2. For the purposes of section 1 of this Act, the term “veterans” means persons who served in the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines while such forces were in the service of the armed forces of the United States pursuant to the military order of the President of the United States, dated July 26, 1941, including among such military forces organized guerrilla forces under commanders appointed, designated, or subsequently recognized by the Commander in Chief, Southwest Pacific Area, or other competent authority in the Army of the United States, and who were discharged or released from such service under conditions other than dishonorable.

Times and amounts
of grants.

SEC. 3. Any grant for the construction and equipping of a hospital may be made prior to or following its completion: *Provided*, That the total of such grants shall not exceed \$22,500,000.

SEC. 4. Grants for expenses incident to hospitalization may be made for a period not to exceed five years to reimburse the Republic of the Philippines for moneys expended for such hospitalization: *Provided*, That the total of such grants shall not exceed \$3,285,000 for any fiscal year.

Rules and regula-
tions.

SEC. 5. The President may from time to time prescribe such rules and regulations and impose such conditions on the receipt of financial aid as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act; and he may delegate in whole or in part the authority conferred upon him by this Act to any officer or officers of the United States.

Appropriations au-
thorized.

SEC. 6. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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